

# Driver crashes through airport gates, cruises Regina runways

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## (Screenshot from Google Maps)

A perimeter security fence was knocked down at Regina International Airport by a driver who then cruised the runways and other secure areas early Sunday.

**SUN+** "I quite a bit of damage," Jim Hunter, CEO of Regina Airport Authority, told CKOM Radio. "He drove through a couple of gates in and out so we know he was on the air side so it was a bit of a security breach for us."

Police soon found an abandoned car "inside the secure airport perimeter fence."

Regina police said after a lengthy ground search, which included a K9 unit, they located a man on airport property and he was into custody. They believe he was acting alone.

"The investigation into this matter continues and we believe alcohol was a contributing factor," Staff Sgt. Evan Bray said in a statement Sunday night. "There have been no charges at this time; however we anticipate charges being laid sometime this evening relating to this incident."

There was no air traffic at the time so 1:30 a.m. allegedly drunken drive did not affect any flights.

"I guess he was severely inebriated when he was eventually apprehended on airport property by the (Regina Police Service) with the assistance from our security folks," Hunter told CKOM.

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